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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of)
MURATA et al) Art Unit: 3612
Serial No.: 10/646,761) Examiner: J. Pape
Filed: August 25, 2003)
For: BUMPER CORE)

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 25, 2004

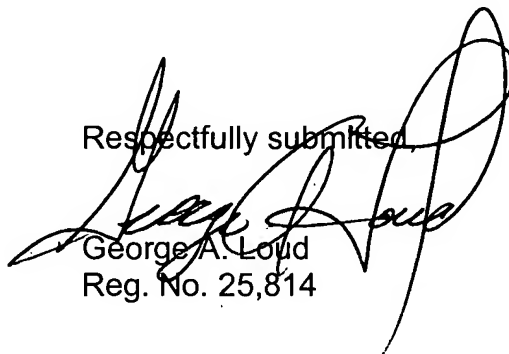
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Sir:

Responsive to the office action of August 25, 2004, applicants, by their undersigned attorney, hereby elect the species of Fig. 3. Applicants believe that claims 1-4, 10-13, 16 and 17 read on the embodiment of Fig. 3.

The requirement is respectfully traversed for the reason that the case contains generic claims including at least claims 1 and 13.

Respectfully submitted,



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